PLATTSBURGH AIR FORCE BASE, BOWLING CENTER (Plattsburgh Air Force Base, Building No. 2365) New York Road Plattsburgh Clinton County New York

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HAER No. NY-326-BS

Location:

New York Road, Plattsburgh, Clinton County, New York.

UTM:

18.622140.4947290

Quad:

Plattsburgh, NY-VT, 1:24,000 (1966)

Date of Construction:

1975

Architect/Engineer:

Unknown

Present Owner:

United States Air Force

Present Use:

Vacant

Significance:

The Bowling Center housed a 12-lane bowling alley for base personnel's recreation during their off-duty hours.

Project Information:

Building No. 2365 at Plattsburgh Air Force Base (AFB) is being documented in accordance with HAER standards to mitigate for the potential adverse effects of transferring deed of title to the property from federal ownership. The property transfer is a result of the disposal and reuse of Plattsburgh AFB, pursuant to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1993. The mitigation is a stipulation of a Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the U.S. Air Force, the New York State Historic Preservation Officer, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (October 2000).

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Summary Description of Bowling Center (Building No. 2365)

Layout

Building No. 2365 is an 11,840 square-foot, one-story, concrete block building clad in red brick veneer. It has a very low-pitched gable roof and is irregular in plan. A one-story, shed roof offset is located off the north façade. A portion of the lower half of the building's south façade is clad in sheet metal siding. Off the east façade, the building features a walkway protected by a flat roof that extends out beyond the southeast corner. Steel posts with square brick bases support the walkway's roof. There are 12 bowling lanes in the interior of the building.

Alterations/Additions

Building No. 2365 has experienced no major alterations or additions.

Function

Building No. 2365 has always served as the Plattsburgh AFB Bowling Center.

Significance:

Recreation facilities such as bowling alleys are common to most Air Force installations, and Building No. 2365 at Plattsburgh AFB was designed, built, and used specifically for that purpose. During the Cold War years, recreational facilities were essential to the morale and welfare of base personnel. As such, this building was significant as a supporting facility dedicated to the morale and welfare of Plattsburgh AFB personnel.

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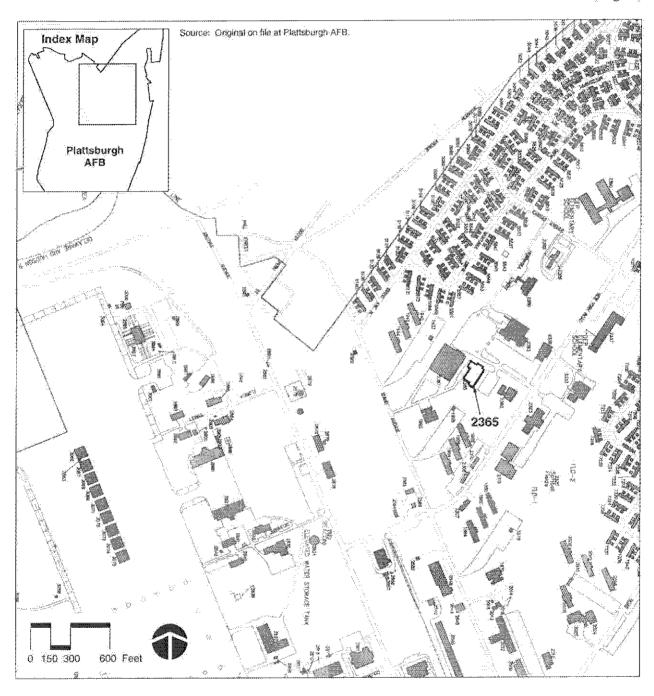
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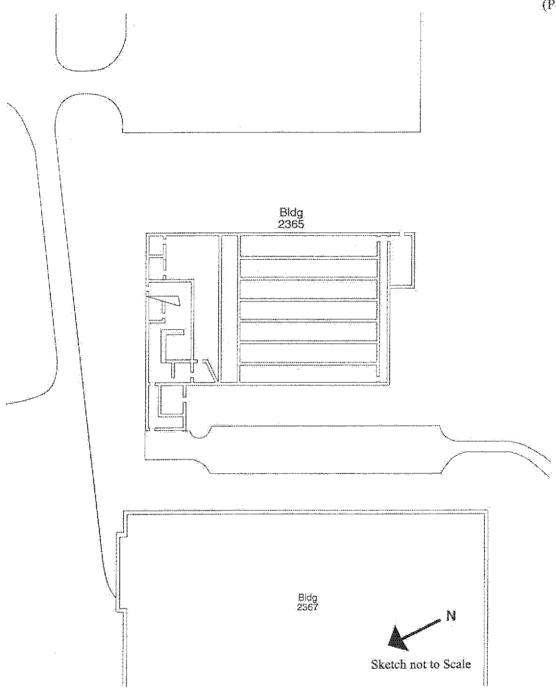
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SKETCH PLAN – BOWLING CENTER BUILDING
(Plattsburgh Air Force Base, Building No. 2365)
(Source: Plattsburgh AFB CAD File, Prepared by the United States Air Force, ca 2000)
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